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Reply to Notice of Missing Parts dated 11/17/03

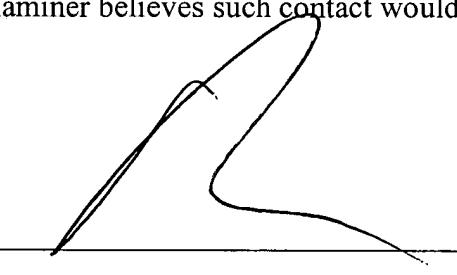
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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the Notice of Missing Parts, the Patent Office noted that there was no Abstract. Applicants have amended the Specification to clarify that page 55 is intended to be the Abstract and submit herewith a copy of the Abstract, or amended page 55, to comply with the request in the Notice of Missing Parts.

Applicants request examination of the case on the merits. The attorney of record invites the Examiner to contact him at (310) 553-7977 if the Examiner believes such contact would advance the prosecution of the case.

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